



## May Briefs:

### **Governor Encourages Carpooling for State Employees**

Commuters that live near each other and share a common destination form the simplest and most common "carpool" arrangement, according to Governor Kathleen Sebelius. Carpooling is an ideal cost saving arrangement, particularly for those individuals who commute long distances to and from work each day, have limited access to public transit and few transportation options available to them. View carpooling opportunities at this site:

[Share the costs / Share the driving / Cut your stress / Save some time](#)

Also, parking fees can be waived when three or more employees park in a state parking lot when carpooling with three or more people in a vehicle. K.A.R. 1-45-21 (3) "The parking permit fee shall be waived for any vehicle in the state vanpool or for any carpool that has as passengers three or more state employees who have jointly signed a parking contract and who have been jointly issued a parking permit.

### **Eplipsy Symposia Set for May 19**

On May 19, the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita will host the 2006 CME Symposia of "Epilepsy is More Than Just Having Seizures"-Emphasis on the Comprehensive Care of the Epilepsy Patients. The program will be held from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Roberts Amphitheater of the medical-school. At the symposium:

- World-renowned speaker Dr. Martha Morrell of Stanford University will bring the latest and most up to date treatments in epilepsy and neuroscience.
- Patricia Gibson from Wake Forest University is another nationally known speaker who dedicates her life to improving the care of epilepsy patients worldwide by implementing a comprehensive approach to the care of patients.
- Dr. Connie Marsh and Dr. Angelia Paschal will bring exciting updates in Public Health and the often missed diagnosis of Depression in Epilepsy.

Brochure information: <http://wichita.kumc.edu/postgrad/brochures/epilepsy2006.pdf>. To print registration form: <http://wichita.kumc.edu/postgrad/brochures/epilepsy2006printreg.pdf>. Online registration site: <http://wichita.kumc.edu/postgrad/brochures/epilepsy2006reg.html>.

### **Applications Sought for Future Leaders**

The Kansas Public Health Leadership Institute is seeking applicants for its fourth training Cycle in 2006-2007. The year-long cycle will begin with an orientation session following the Kansas Public Health Association conference in Topeka in September.

The KPHLI provides competency-based leadership training to public health professionals from around the state. Through four quarterly training sessions, scholars hear renowned speakers and complete directed readings and reflective writings in consultation with a mentor.

The training cycle culminates in the development and presentation of an applied public health capstone project. Potential scholars must complete an application form, a biosketch/statement of interest, and provide a letter of professional recommendation. Full application instructions can be found on the KPHLI Web site in a PDF of the Cycle IV application brochure (<http://www.waldcenter.org/kphli/scholars.html#CycleIV>).

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For further information about the KPHLI application process, contact KPHLI Coordinator Theresa St.Romain at [tstromain@kumc.edu](mailto:tstromain@kumc.edu). Applications should be completed and submitted to Dr. Suzanne Hawley, KPHLI Program Director, no later than August 11.

### **Nuturing Childrens' Mental Health Conference**

The Mental Health Association of the Heartland and HOMEFRONT with a grant from the Kansas Social Rehabilitation Services is proud to announce the May 2006 Children's Mental Health Conference: Children & Resiliency: Nurturing our Children's Mental Health May 11-12, 2006 Jack Reardon Convention Center - Kansas City, Kansas Class sizes are limited, so register soon. Registration will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. For more information or to download a brochure, log onto <http://www.mhah.org/events/index.html> .

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